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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPOSED WASTEWATER PROJECT FOR CITY OF PUEBLO

The Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has conducted a review of the proposed wastewater project for the City of Pueblo in accordance with EPA and the State of Colorado procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR Part 6) and the State of Colorado NEPA-like policy (SRF Operating Agreement). The State has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, the State is exempting the project from further substantive environmental review requirements under the above stated policies.

Project Description:

The proposed project consists of the rehabilitation and replacement of the South Prairie Avenue Interceptor including separating the storm and sanitary sewers between Amherst Avenue and McClelland Avenue and slip lining the remaining portions of the existing sanitary sewer line in order to reduce infiltration and inflow.

The project will be funded by a Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund loan in the amount of \$4,179,047.20 at an interest rate of 2.21%. The project will increase the user rates by \$0.65 per month.

The project by design will not increase the wastewater demand for the planning area.

Criteria for Granting a Categorical Exclusion under 40 CFR parts 6.107 and 6.505

The action proposed will ensure compliance with current and future wastewater treatment standards. The following criteria condition the allowance of the categorical exclusion for the proposed action:

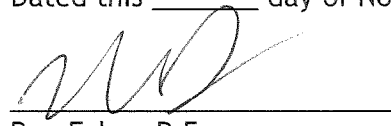
- Minor rehabilitation of existing facilities;
- Construction of new ancillary facilities either adjacent or appurtenant to existing facilities which do not affect the degree or capacity of treatment; and
- Infiltration and inflow corrections.

The documentation to support this decision will be on file at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division, in Denver, Colorado and is available for public scrutiny upon request. Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to:

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Dated this 7th day of November, 2014.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Ron Falco', written over a horizontal line.

Ron Falco, P.E.
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